



2009 CONGRESSIONAL ART COMPETITION

“AN ARTISTIC DISCOVERY”

OFFICIAL GUIDELINES

- The competition is open to high school students who reside in the 2nd Congressional District.
- Artwork categories are as follows:
 - Paintings: oil, acrylic, watercolor, etc.
 - Drawings: pastels, colored pencil, pencil, charcoal, ink, markers
 - Collage: must be two dimensional
 - Prints: lithographs, silkscreen, block prints
 - Computer-generated art
 - Photography
 - Mixed media: use of or more than two mediums listed above.
- Each entry must be an original in concept, design, and execution and may not violate any U.S. copyright laws.
- Artwork must fall within the following guidelines:
 - Artwork must be two-dimensional.
 - Artwork can be **no larger than 30 inches by 30 inches**, no more than 4 inches deep, and 15lbs in weight, including a frame. The winning artwork must be framed to hang in the Capitol, a cost that will be paid for by the competition.
- Artwork will hang in the Capitol for the **entire year** of the exhibition and cannot be returned early to the artist. Students should submit artwork they will not need for other purposes.
- A copy of the typed Student Release Form, signed by both the teacher and the student, must be attached to the artwork to certify the originality of the piece.
- Artwork must be submitted to Congressman Larsen's Everett or Bellingham District offices by **Wednesday, April 29, 2009**.
- Winner will be notified. The winner is eligible to travel to Washington, DC for an unveiling reception on June 24, 2009.
- Questions may be directed to Julie Housh at (202) 225-2605 or julie.housh@mail.house.gov.